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1. A-3914 RECEIVED HERE ONLY MAY 29. THIS RESPONSE IS TRANSMITTED TELEGRAPHICALLY DUE TO URGENCY OF EXPORT LICENSE APPROVAL AS STRESSED BY THE U.S. FIRM INVOLVED.

2. TRINIDATA LTD. IS A RECENTLY-FORMED (1970) COMPANY NOW UNDERGOING AN APPARENT MANAGEMENT CRISIS. IT IS MAJORITY OWNED BY THE DATARAM CORP., CRANBURY, NEW JERSEY. REPRESENTATIVES OF DATARAM ARE NOW TRYING TO FORCE OUT ONE OF THE FOUNDING SHAREHOLDERS (WHO UNTIL RECENTLY WAS MANAGING DIRECTOR), MICHAEL ARMOOGAM, ON CHARGES THAT HE SET UP A COMPETING ELECTRONIC ASSEMBLY COMPANY AND "STOLE" SOME OF TRINIDATA'S BEST EMPLOYEES. ARMOOGAM IN TURN IS THREATENING LEGAL ACTION AGAINST THE DATARAM REPRESENTATIVES ALLEGING THAT THEY ARE ATTEMPTING TO DEFRAUD HIM OF THE VALUE OF HIS HOLDINGS AND OTHER BENEFITS WHICH HE BELIEVES DUE HIM. ONE RESULT OF THIS DISPUTE IS TOTAL INACTIVITY IN THE FIRM'S BANK ACCOUNT, SINCE COMPANY OFFICERS AUTHORIZED TO SIGN CHECKS (JOINTLY) ARE ON OPPOSITE SIDES OF THE DISAGREEMENT.

3. ABOVE COMMENTS NOTWITHSTANDING, THE COMPANY ITSELF IS IN OPERATION ASSEMBLING MEMORY CORE UNITS, AND WE HAVE NO REASON TO SUSPECT THAT THEY MIGHT BE DIVERTED TO AN
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UNAUTHORIZED DESTINATION. ACCORDING TO DATARAM REPRESENTATIVES NOW IN TRINIDAD, THE FIRM OPERATES ON THE BASIS OF WEEKLY SHIPMENTS TO AND FROM THE U.S. FIRM, AND THAT MANY SUCH SHIPMENTS TAKE PLACE BEFORE THE DOLLAR VALUE OF EACH EXPORT LICENSE IS FULLY UTILIZED. THESE REPRESENTATIVES STATED THAT ABOUT 25 PERCENT OF THE PRESENT PRODUCTION IS EXPORTED DIRECTLY TO A CANADIAN CUSTOMER OF DATARAM (SEE ADDRESS BELOW), WHILE THE REMAINDER IS RE-EXPORTED TO DATARAM. THEY DID NOT KNOW IF THIS CANADIAN CUSTOMER MIGHT ALSO BE THE CONSIGNEE OF SOME OF THE CORE UNITS COVERED BY THE EXPORT LICENSE UNDER CONSIDERATION.

4. CANADIAN CUSTOMER IS
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5. EMBASSY PERCEIVES NO RPT NO OBJECTION TO ISSUANCE OF EXPORT LICENSE, UNLESS SEPARATE EVIDENCE INDICATES THAT CANADIAN CONSIGNEE MIGHT BE RECEIVING CORE UNITS COVERED BY THIS LICENSE APPLICATION AND MIGHT BE DIVERTING THEM TO UNLICENSED DESTINATION.
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